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SUBJ: MAJOR EXPORT PROJECT: PETROGAS REFINERY AND PETRO-
CHEMICAL PROJECT

REF: KUALA LUMPUR 2484, KUALA LUMPUR 0857

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. "NEW STRAITS TIMES" NEWSPAPER
JUNE 13 REPORTS THAT AGREEMENT ON PETROGAS PROJECT
AT PORT DICKSON HAS BEEN REACHED BETWEEN NEGRI
SEMBILAN STATE GOVT AND PETRONAS (NATIONAL PETROLEUM
CO.). PETROGAS PROJECT WILL BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER
AUSPICES OF PETRONAS IN EFFORTS TO DEVELOP MALAYSIA'S
PETROCHEMICAL AND OTHER OIL-RELATED INDUSTRIES.
TENGKU RAZALEIGH, PETRONAS CHAIRMAN WHO VISITING
NEGRI SEMBILAN TO SIGN OIL EXPLORATION RIGHTS AGREE-
MENT (NOW STANDARD FIVE PERCENT OFF TOP TO STATE)
WITH STATE GOVT, SAID PETRONAS WILL COOPERATE WITH
NEGRI SEMBILAN GOVT AND WILL CONTINUE TALKS ON
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PETROGAS PROJECT.

2. MENTRI BESAR DATUK MANSOR OSMAN, TOP-ELECTED
NEGRI SEMBILAN STATE OFFICIAL, WILL LEAD DELEGATION
OF STATE GOVT OFFICIALS, POLITICIANS, AND PETRONAS
REPRESENTATIVES TO MIDDLE EAST IN JULY TO SIGN AGREE-
MENTS IN PRINCIPLE FOR PETROGAS PROJECT. END UNCLASSIFIED

3. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. COMMENT. ALTHOUGH BY-
PLAY BETWEEN PETRONAS AND PETROGAS REPORTED KUALA
LUMPUR 0857 HAS APPARENTLY BEEN RESOLVED IN FAVOR
PETROGAS, PROPOSAL REMAINS ESSENTIALLY IN PLANNING
STAGE AS FINANCING FAR FROM CERTAIN. WE UNDERSTAND
MIDDLE-EAST COUNTRIES TO BE VISITED ARE LIBYA AND
TRUCIAL STATES ALTHOUGH ABU DHABI MAY NOT BE IN-
CLUDED BECAUSE OF IDESENT FINANCIAL PROBLEMS.
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